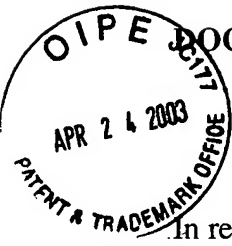


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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please make the amendments to the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Amend claim 34 and add claims ~~51~~⁵²-67 as follows:

34. (Amended) A method of forming a double seam between a can body and a can end, said method comprising the steps of:

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a) providing a can end having a circumferentially extending inclined wall and a peripheral curl extending circumferentially and radially outward from said inclined wall, said peripheral curl comprising a seaming panel and a radiused portion extending from the seaming panel to said inclined wall, said wall inclined between about 20° and about 60° with respect to an axial centerline of said can end;

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